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MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARIES OF THE MILITARY DEPARTMENTS  
UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR POLICY  
UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR PERSONNEL  
AND READINESS  
DIRECTORS OF THE DEFENSE AGENCIES  
DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF  
CHIEF, NATIONAL GUARD BUREAU

SUBJECT: Change to the Department of Defense Drug Demand Reduction  
Policy

The October 1, 2003 drug demand reduction policy (Tab A) directed that selected senior Department members in the random testing program, who are not randomly identified and tested must have at least one drug test during the year.

Recently, the Department of Justice suggested that this was a non-random testing policy. To avoid potential challenges to the program, this requirement has been deleted.

Senior Department members who are in the random testing program are encouraged to voluntarily provide at least one specimen annually and by example support the DoD Drug Demand Reduction Program.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Tom O'Connell", is positioned above the printed name.

Thomas W. O'Connell

Attachment:  
As stated